AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 2(a) and 2(b). This sheet, which includes Figs. 2(a) and 2(b), replaces the original sheet including Figs. 2(a) and 2(b). In Figs. 2(a) and 2(b), the labels of blocks E2 and E1, respectively, have been corrected. No new matter is added.

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REMARKS

Prior to entry of this amendment, claims 1-6 are pending. Claims 1 and 2 were verbally elected for prosecution on the merits in response to an Election of Species Requirement on October 1, 2004. By this amendment, claim 2 and non-elected claims 3-6 are canceled. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Also by this amendment, claim 1 is amended and a replacement sheet including corrected drawing Figures 2(a) and 2(b) is presented. No new matter is added.

Claim 1 is presented for further prosecution on the merits.

In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

In the outstanding Office Action mailed October 15, 2004, claims 1 and 2 were objected to for informalities. Claim 2 has been canceled and claim 1 has been amended responsive to this objection. Should any further amendment to claim 1 be necessary to overcome this objection, the Examiner is requested to contact the applicant's undersigned representative.

Claim 2 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 6,515,680 to Hendricks et al. (hereinafter "Hendricks"), and claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hendricks in view of United States Patent No. 5,978,012 to Ozawa et al. (hereinafter "Ozawa").

It is noted that claim 2 has been canceled, thereby rendering the rejection thereof under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) moot. It is further noted that claim 1 has been amended. To the extent the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC § 103(a) applies to currently pending claim 1, Applicant hereby traverses the rejection, as follows.

As admitted in the outstanding Office Action, Hendricks fails to disclose or suggest that the compressed character and figure data are decompressed and are expanded in the volatile memory at the time of initially starting the receiver.

Ozawa is cited for allegedly curing this deficiency of Hendricks.

Applicant respectfully submits that Ozawa discloses that the compressed data of the expanded function program is decompressed and expanded in RAM 8 "when the power supply is turned on." However, what is decompressed "when the power supply is turned on" in Ozawa is the compressed data of the expanded function program, not the compressed data of the character and figure data used for drawing various types of operation screens.

In contrast, claim 1 recites "stored in said nonvolatile memory as the character and figure data used for drawing the operation screens are compressed character and figure data obtained by compressing said character and figure data, and the compressed character and figure data are decompressed and are expanded in said volatile memory at the time of initially starting the receiver."

As noted above, neither Hendricks nor Ozawa discloses or suggests decompressing and expanding the compressed character and figure data used for drawing various types of operation screens in the volatile memory when the power supply is turned on. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the combination of Hendricks and Ozawa neither anticipates nor renders obvious the claimed invention.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC § 103(a) are respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

For at least the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that claim

1 is in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowability is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner determine that any further action is necessary to place this application into better form, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300 referencing client matter number 107314-00017.

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